(*b*) the total amount that is spent every year for Government Middle Schools in the State; the average amount spent accordingly on each student;

(*c*) the total amount of maintenance grant given to the aided institutions (*i.e.*, High Schools and Middle Schools);

(*d*) the amount spent by them per student studying in aided institutions (High and Middle Schools)?

A.—**Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA** (Minister for Education and Public Health).—

(*a*) Rs. 6,09,419. Rs. 56 per year or Rs. 4-10-8 per month.

(*b*) Rs. 17,09,354. Rs. 26 per year or Rs. 2-2-8 per month.

(*c*) *High Schools.*—Rs. 3,81,566 (Municipal Schools are excluded).

Middle Schools.—Rs. 2,08,288.

(*d*) *High Schools.*—Rs. 51 per year per pupil or Rs. 4-4-0 per month.

Middle Schools.—Rs. 19 per year per pupil or Rs. 1-9-4 per month.

(B) Unstarred Questions and Answers.

Hessarghatta Grass Farm.

Q.—1. **Sri S. R. GURULINGIAH** *alias* **S. R. GURU** (Bangalore District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state;—

(*a*) the extent of the Hessarghatta Grass Farm in acres;

(*b*) when and for what purpose the farm was started;

(*c*) the work that is being done on the farm;

(*d*) whether the farm is a paying proposition or running at a loss;

(*e*) whether, in view of the cattle manure available on the farm, it is not desirable to convert it into compost manure and use it on the farm itself, if need be, or auction it to the raiyats of the villages round-about?

A.—**Sri T. MARIAPPA** (Home Minister).—(*a*) Three thousand two hundred and eighty-nine acres, including the area of 347 acres acquired recently.

(*b*) The Farm was started about fifty years ago. Its main object was to supply grass to the Mysore Military Department and subsequently horse-breeding operations were also included with a view to supply remounts to Military Department and ponies to the public.

(*c*) (i) Harvesting and supplying kaval and cultivated grasses to Military Department and green fodders to several live-stock units stationed on the Farm.

(ii) Cultivation and supply of Ragi under "Grow More Food" campaign.

(iii) Remount and pony breeding operations.

(iv) Dry Cattle Farm—(Boarding of dry cattle belonging to the cattle owners in Bangalore City and Civil area).

(v) Poultry and Duck breeding.

(vi) Sindhi Bull *cum* Milk Experimental Farm.

(vii) Sheep and Goat Farming.

(*d*) The farm is working at a profit.

(*e*) Cattle manure is at present being converted into compost manure and used on the farm itself for raising fodder crops required for the several live-stock units stationed on the farm. Provision has also been made to take up compost making on a large scale under the Composite Scheme now under consideration of Government, when the surplus compost can also be made available to the raiyats at reasonable rates.

Punishments of certain Patels in Dodballapur Taluk.

Q.—2. **Sri S. R. GURULINGIAH** *alias* **S. R. GURU** (Bangalore District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether the Patels of (i) Beedikere, and (ii) Kodigehalli of Dodballapur Taluk were punished;

(*b*) if so—

(i) for what offence;

(ii) who conducted the enquiry;

(iii) when did the enquiry begin and end;

(iv) the punishment given;

(v) when was the punishment order given effect to?

A.—**Sri H. SIDDAIYA** (Minister for Revenue and Excise).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) (i) (1) Patel of Beedikere Village for temporary misappropriation.

(2) Patel of Kodigehalli for unauthorised cutting of a Government tree.

(ii) (1) In respect of Patel of Beedikere Village, both Sub-Division Officer and Amildar.

(2) Amildar only in respect of Patel of Kodigehalli.

(iii) (1) 9-12-1949 (2) 19-3-1949
9-3-1950 19-8-1949

(iv) (1) Patel of Beedikere suspended for one year and five months.

(2) Patel of Kodigehalli is fined Rs. 50 in addition to the payment of the value of tree, *viz.*, Rs. 25.

(v) After the completion of the enquiry.

Retrenchments in Departments.

Q.—3. **Sri S. KARIAPPA** (Bangalore District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the Departments in which hands are being retrenched;

(*b*) the number of hands retrenched in each of those Departments?

A.—**Sri H. C. DASAPPA** (Minister for Finance and Industries).—

(*a*) Such retrenchments have not yet been effected.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Work assigned to Food Production Commissioner.

Q.—**4. Sri S. KARIAPPA** (Bangalore District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the nature of the work assigned to the Food Production Commissioner;

(*b*) the nature of co-ordination and co-operation existing between this officer and the Departments of Agriculture and Engineering;

(*c*) the amount, if any, placed at the disposal of the Food Production Commissioner;

(*d*) the amount allotted for various schemes in connection with food self-sufficiency aimed at by 1951?

A.—**Sri T. MARIAPPA** (Home Minister).—

(*a*) and (*b*) The main items of work assigned to the Commissioner for Food Production are as follows:—

(i) He is entrusted with the work of implementing the various schemes drawn up for increasing food production in the State.

(ii) He acts as a Liaison Officer between the Government of India and the State Government in respect of Food Production Schemes.

(iii) He is in direct charge of procurement and distribution of improved seeds, manures and agricultural implements.

(iv) He is in charge of the entire Tractor Organisation in the State.

(v) He is the co-ordinating authority between the several Heads of Departments and the Government on the one hand, and between the raiyats and the Heads of Departments on the other, so that the difficulties of the raiyats are placed before the Heads of departments concerned for finding an immediate remedy. If the difficulty is such that it requires the intervention of more than one department, immediate action is taken to co-ordinate the efforts of all the departments concerned and finding a solution to solve the difficulties of the raiyats.

(*c*) Rs. 66,53,404.

(*d*) *Vide* Statement printed below.